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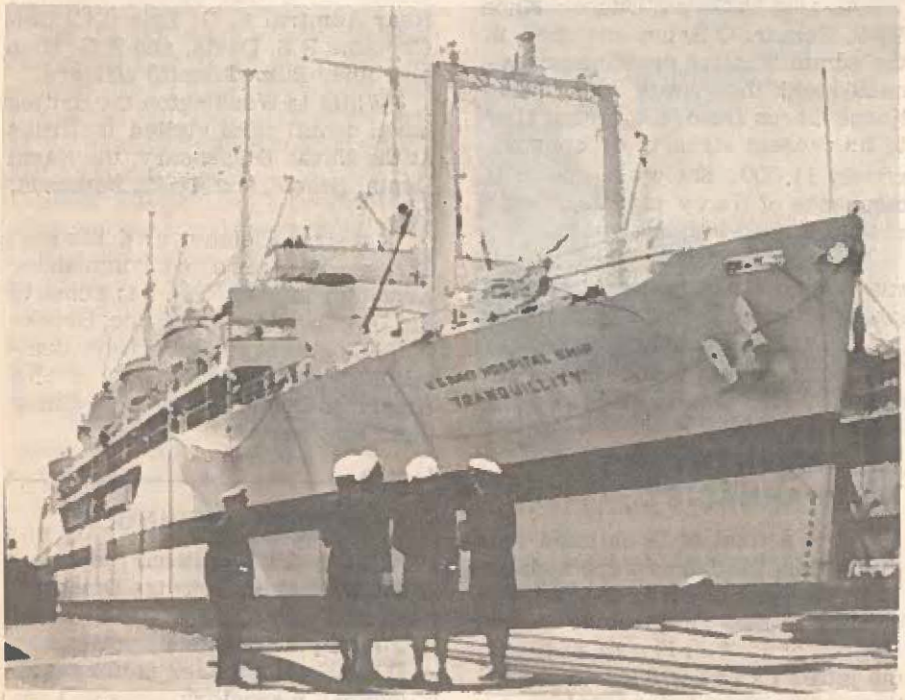

First of the six HAVEN class hospital ships to be commissioned, the USS TRANQUILLITY was placed in commission Tuesday with Capt. Bartholomew W. Hogan (MC) USN as Senior Medical Officer. Comdr. A. R. Higgins (MC) USN, formerly in Planning Division, Bumed, is Chief of Medicine aboard the ship. Lt. Comdr. J. F. Conner (MC) USNR, formerly in the Research Division, Bumed, also is assigned to the medical staff. Commanding officer is Capt. Merritt D. Mullen USNR. Commissioning ceremonies were attended by Commodore Carlton L. Andrus (MC) USN, chief of the Planning Division, and high ranking officers in the 3rd Naval District.

PERSONNEL UTILIZATION STUDIES COMMENDED BY SURGEON GENERAL

24 Apr: Completion of the series of personnel utilization studies made in Bumed by officers assigned from the Office of Management Engineer, Navy Dept., was announced today with submission of the group's last report to the Surgeon General.

Admiral McIntire commended the entire group as well as officers in the Administration Division, Bumed. In a letter to Ralph A. Bard, Under Secretary of the Navy, the Surgeon General said, "I feel that their work has been of great value to us in Bumed not only in the effectuation of better personnel utilization but in the clarification of many knotty methods problems that needed review."

"From the beginning to the last of this survey," the letter stated, "the members of the staff assigned to this work conducted themselves in such manner as to warrant special commendation. They have been assiduous in their duty, keen in their analyses, sympathetic and understanding in their approach and tactful in their recommendations."

The personnel utilization studies were begun in Bumed in July, 1944, as part of the Navy Department plan to examine personnel problems.

ADMIRAL SMITH NAMED TO HEAD MUSEUM COMMITTEE

24 Apr: The Surgeon General today designated Rear Admiral Harold W. Smith (MC) USN (Ret.), Chief of the Research Division, as chairman of a Medical Museum Committee and curator for the medical department, in conformity with the projected plan for establishment of a Naval Museum in Washington.

Other members of the Bumed committee are Capt. L. H. Roddis (MC) USN, chairman of the Medical History Board; Rear Admiral William Chambers (MC) USN, Medical Officer in Command, NNMC, Bethesda, Md.; Lt. G. G. Gross (S) USNR, Bumed Public Relations Officer, and a secretary to be selected by Admiral Smith.

"The Medical Museum Committee shall be responsible for the selection, collection, preparation and preservation of trophies, relics, pictures, models, dioramas, and other materials of historical interest for exhibit in the contemplated naval museum in Washington."

The committee will work in conjunction with the Curator of the Navy Department to correlate the Bumed activity with the museum plans.

INDEPENDENCE DAY WAR BOND SALE BEGINS 22 JUNE

28 Apr: With plans for the Treasury's Seventh War Loan under way, Bumed personnel are urged to begin planning for the Navy's Independence Day "Extra" War Bond Sale which will begin 22 June, falling within the Treasury Drive.

In order to give credit to the Navy and the Bureau for cash bonds bought by Bureau personnel, it is hoped that civilians and military personnel will hold off cash purchases until the opening of the Navy

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Personnel

REPORTED

19 Apr: Capt. Deane H. Vance (MC) USN (Ret.) to Aviation Medicine Division.

19 Apr: Lt. Mary D. Petit (MC) USNR to Inspections Division.

20 Apr: Lt. Comdr. Arthur F. Gardner (MC) USN (Ret.) to PQ & MR.

21 Apr: Lt. Moses C. Shelesnyak H(S) USNR to Aviation Med. Div.

23 Apr: Comdr. Howard K. Sessions (MC) USN to Preventive Med. Divistons.

REPORTED (TEMP. DUTY)

24 Apr: Capt. Bruce E. Bradley (MC) USN to Planning Division.

DETACHED

20 Apr: Lt. Albert H. Andrews, Jr. (MC) USNR.

20 Apr: Lt. (jg) Edwin S. Keasler H(S) USNR.

21 Apr: Comdr. Leroy B. Duggan (MC) USNR.

21 Apr: Lt. Comdr. William E. McIlvain (MC) USNR.

MEETINGS

20 Apr: Lt. Comdr. Otto N. Schuster H(S) USNR, of NMRI, went to New York to inspect a new last for Navy issue shoes.

23 Apr: Comdr. J. G. Jenkins H(S) USNR returned from an extended trip to the 14th Naval District in connection with studies of psychological classification of combat pilots with the fleet.

25 Apr: Comdr. H.H. Haight (MC) USNR went to NMSD, Brooklyn, N. Y.

25 Apr: Capt. E. W. Brown (MC) USN (Ret.) left for Ottawa, Canada, as Bumed representative at meetings of the Associate Committee on Army Medical Research of the National Research Council of Canada.

25 Apr: Capt. Walter F. James (MC) USN went to the 6th and 8th Naval Districts to inspect surgical activities at naval hospitals in Memphis, Tenn.; New Orleans, La.; Pensacola, Fla.; and Dublin, Ga.

COMDR. O'BRIEN GOES TO 12TH NAVAL DIST

25 Apr: Comdr. Elizabeth M. O'Brien (NC) USN who for six years has been assistant to Capt. Sue S. Dauser (NC) USN, Superintendent of the Navy Nurse Corps, was detached today and assigned to duty in the 12th Naval District.

As aide to Capt. Dauser since 1939, Comdr. O'Brien assisted in the administrative problems connected with the growth of the Navy Nurse Corps from 436 at that time to its present strength of approximately 11,000. She was known to thousands of Navy nurses who visited Bumed in those years.

Personnel of the Nurse Corps attached to Bumed and several guests attended a dinner party in Comdr. O'Brien's honor, given by Capt. Dauser last week. She is relieved by Lt. Comdr. Mary M. Heck (NC) USN.

79 APPOINTMENTS TO PHARMACIST

28 Apr: A total of 79 enlisted men in the Hospital Corps were appointed to the rank of pharmacist, according to Bupers Circular Letter 104-45 of 15 April. In addition, the letter revealed seven promotions to lieutenant (jg) and 23 to ensign in the Hospital Corps.

MR. PURDY WINS BOWLING WITH 133

2b Apr: Mr. Purdy of tne Ducklings bowled 133 to win the weekly high game prize of the Navy Medical Bowling League. There was a tie for second place with Ens. Lang of the Alnavs and Stott, PhMk, of the Champs each rolling 121.

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25 Apr: Comdr. James B. Butler (MC) USN visited USNH, Philadelphia, Pa., in connection with development of plans for additional construction projected.

26 Apr: Rear Adm. A.G. Lyle (DC) USN left on a trip to district headquarters of the 1st and 3rd Naval Districts and to the Material Division, Brooklyn, N. Y.

1 May: Lt. Comdr. Sidney A. Britten (MC) USNR will visit the 1st, 3rd and 4th Naval Districts in reference to TB control.

BRITISH DENTAL CHIEF VISITS WASHINGTON AREA

28 Apr: Surgeon Rear Admiral (D) E. E. Fletcher RN, head of the British Naval Dental Corps, visited Bumed recently during a tour of U.S. Navy dental facilities in the Washington area.

Admiral Fletcher was greeted in Bumed by the Surgeon General, Rear Admiral A. G. Lyle (DC) USN, Captains R.S. Davis, and F.G. Ulen and other Bumed dental officers.

While in Washington the British naval dental chief visited facilities at the Naval Dispensary, the Naval Dental School, and NNMC, Bethesda, Md.

Admiral Fletcher and his son, Surgeon Lieutenant Commander Kenneth Fletcher, RN, attached to the U.S. Naval Dental Clinic, Brooklyn, N.Y., were guests of Navy dental officers and members of the American Dental Association during their stay here.

UNIFORM REMINDER

28 Apr: The optional period for wearing Service Dress Blue (B) or Grays begins Tuesday and extends until 15 May when summer uniforms become mandatory.

NEW MALARIOLOGY CLASS AT NNMC

28 Apr: A new class in malariology will convene at the National Naval Medical Center on 7 May. Sixteen Hospital Corps officers have been ordered to report for the course which will last approximately six weeks.

MEDICAL MOTION PICTURES
Thursday, 3 May 1945
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"STORY OF SEVEN SAILORS"

and

"WORLD IN ACTION--
FORTRESS JAPAN"

Shown to officer prsonnel in Conference Room, Bldg. 4.

WAR BONDS

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campaign which will run from 22 June through 7 July.

Only bonds issued during those two weeks will be credited to the Navy. By planning their savings as far ahead as this, nearly everybody should be able to buy an extra cash bond this Fourth of July.

With the Navy's Independence Day quota this year the largest in history, Secretary Forrestal has requested full support on the part of commanding officers of all ships and stations.

Rear Admiral W.J.C. Agnew has accepted the chairmanship of the Independence Day "Extra" War Bond sale in the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery and has appointed representatives who will conduct the sale in each division, seeing to it that all personnel are contacted.

"Putting over this drive represents an "extra" assignment for the Bureau," declared Admiral Agnew, "and it is our custom to carry out such assignments successfully as part of the regular job. The problem of safe guarding our future security becomes even more pressing as the end of the war approaches. In the Navy or out, the transition from war to peace will be less difficult for those who have managed to save some of their pay. I am confident that full support of this campaign by all personnel will mean another fine record for the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery."

CAPT. CAMERER CONFIRMED TO RANK OF REAR ADMIRAL

28 Apr: Capt. Clyde B. Camerer (MC) USN today was confirmed by the U.S. Senate to the rank of rear admiral while serving as District Medical Officer in the 14th Naval District.

Admiral Camerer is shown greeting Lt. Comdr. Laura M. Cobb (NC) USN, at Pearl Harbor on her return, with 10 other Navy nurses from three years in Jap prisons.

Admiral Camerer was Lt. Comdr. Cobb's "skipper" at USNH, Canacao, P.I., until November, 1941.

The appointment was the second to the rank of rear admiral in the Medical Corps confirmed by the Senate this month.

BANNOCKBURN COUNTRY CLUB LEASED FOR NAVY PERSONNEL

14 Apr: The Bannockburn Country Club, Glen Echo, Md., has been leased through the Welfare Fund (NA) of the Potomac River Naval Command, and will be operated exclusively for personnel of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard in Washington and vicinity.

Personnel for whom this Club was leased will be permitted to bring one guest until it is ascertained that the facilities are overtaxed.

Opening. The Club was officially opened on Saturday, 21 April 1945. The golf course will be operated from 0800 to dark on week days, from 0700 to dark on Sundays and holidays. Arrangements for group instruction, Monday through Friday inclusive, can be made by calling the Club, OL-6860.

Use of the Club. The Club will be reserved for enlisted personnel on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday; and for officers on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

Further details in the GAZETTE next week.

WAVE SEAMEN IN BUMED GET COMMISSARY DUTY

28 Apr: Beginning 1 June this bureau will each month exchange 9 seamen currently on board for 9 seamen on duty in the Naval Barracks Commissary Department. This rotation will continue until every seaman in the bureau has served a 3-month tour of duty in the Commissary.

The Bureau of Naval Personnel on 27 March 1945 announced the policy that as of 1 April 1945 all WAVE seamen in the bureaus and offices of the Navy Department would be subject to mess detail in any one of the four WAVE Quarters' general messes maintained by the U.S. Naval Barracks.

Every effort will be made to administer the rotation schedule so as not to impair the efficiency of any one unit. Division chiefs will be advised as soon as possible of the schedule indicating personnel to be rotated and the period of rotation during which they are to be relieved.

A MESSAGE FOR V-E DAY

"To the heads of executive departments and agencies: When victory in Europe comes, the nation will, of course, be moved to express its profound gratitude. Like millions of civilian war workers in private industry, we, who are privileged to serve in the Federal Government, could find no expression of thanksgiving more fitting than staying at our posts of duty and rededicating ourselves to the winning of the war against Japan.

"Hon. James F. Byrnes, in his report to the President, stated: 'No one can tell when VE-Day will come. But when we are advised by General Eisenhower that organized resistance of the German Army has ceased, I hope the American people will make that day a day of work and worship. I recommend that all Government agencies observe the spirit of this request.'

"Accordingly, officials and employees in all Federal departments and agencies will, I am sure, observe the spirit of teamplay so necessary for final victory by working together on VE-Day and on all the days to follow as long as our services are needed to achieve final victory." (Wm. H. McReynolds, Administrative Assistant to the President.)

Recreation

TICKETS GO ON SALE TUESDAY 1 MAY FOR BUMED SPRING DANCE

28 Apr: Tickets will go on sale in all buildings on a competitive basis on Tuesday, 1 May, for the Bumed spring dance held on Saturday, 12 May, from 2030 to 2345 at the Washington Hotel Hall of Nations Ballroom.

There will be entertainment. Guest soloist will be Miss Eddie Jane Poindexter, the Navy Girl of the magazine "This Week."

A $25.00 war bond will be awarded to the lucky winner of the door prize. There will be set-up service and tables to seat groups of four and ten, so get your friends together and reserve a table from Virginia Henley, Bldg. 5, ext. 4582.

Tickets are expected to sell fast, and it is predicted that a large turnout of officers, enlisted personnel, civilians, and friends of bureau personnel, with many enlisted servicemen as guests will fill the 650 capacity of the ballroom. Table seating will fall slightly short of that number so buy your tickets early and reserve your tables immediately.

Dress is optional. However, the civilian hostesses will be dressed formally. A Public Relations photographer will be on deck to snap prize shots during the evening. Mentioning prizes - there will be a prize waltz for the best waltzers along with other novelty dances. We are happy to announce that Capt. T. J. Carter will be the master of ceremonies for the special events of the evening.

The 15-piece Navy Band Dance Orchestra and two vocalists will provide the music. Profits from this dance will be turned over to the Navy Relief Association.

Tickets sell for $1.00 and $1.20. New M&SRA cards must be shown to obtain reduced price for tickets.

M.& S.R.A. PRESIDENT

The Recreation Association welcomes its President, Lt. Chris Katsampes, back to the Bureau after his recent marriage.

HOSTESS COURSE OPEN TO BUMED CIVILIAN GIRLS

28 Apr: A new Hostess Training Course will commence at Friendship House on Monday, 7 May, at 1930. There will be seven lectures in the course on seven consecutive Mondays.

At the completion of the course, each girl who has attended all the meetings will receive an O.C.D. hostess card. These cards are required for attendance at all U.S.O. Clubs, Service Clubs, and camp dances.

There is no charge for the course. However, there is a 25¢ registration fee, for the use of the facilities at Friendship House. Each girl will be required to pay this fee.

Call LI-6202 before 7 May for reservations.

BUMED SPORTS

Tennis information is available by calling ext. 2760.

It's not too late to sign up for bicycling. Call Gere Stapleton, on ext. 2552.

For horseback riding, give your name to Roselyn Johns, ext. 3525.

DOINGS 'ROUND TOWN

1 May - 2045 Pennsylvania Society Dance, Shoreham Hotel, West Ballroom.

2 May - 2015 "Intelligence in This War" with Maj. Bernard S. Green, Chief of the Intelligence and Security Section, A.A.C. Free admission G.W.U., Hall of Government.

5 May - Georgia State Society dance at Shoreham, West Ballroom.

7 May - U.S. Navy School of Music Concert, Constitution Hall. Apply for free tickets, ext. 2760.

9 May - 2015 East-West Association, "Britain's Peoples" in Department of Interior.

NEGRO NDRA

28 Apr: The Cotton Ball sponsored by the NDRA has been postponed indefinitely. A new date for the affair will be announced later.

BUMED PLACES HIGH IN PISTOL PRACTICE

28 Apr: During the past three months, 12 Bumed men and women, military personnel, have been active in the pistol sessions once every week at Roosevelt High School, arranged free of charge through the Navy Department.

In the final tournament of the Navy bureaus, Bumed was third and Lt. George Kelley of this bureau came out fourth high.

All pistol shooters now qualified are proceeding to Quantico to take part in the sharpshooting tests.

It is expected that riflery will be offered in about a month to military personnel. Watch for notices.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED FOR CHILD CARE

Here is your opportunity to do your fellow workers a good deed. It's difficult for parents of small children to enjoy social evenings away from their homes. Many such parents in this bureau, and even in your office, would like to attend the Bumed dance.

Offer your services to someone in your own office or call the Recreation Officer, ext. 2760, for information pertaining to requests.

NEWCOMERS TO BUMED

Dorothy Spence, Mary Moyer, Gertrude Wondolowski, Thelma M. Hendrix, Norma G. Madden, M. Eileen Madden, Phyllis Carlson, Beatrice LaRocque, Frances M. Anderson, George Peterson, Viola M. Reynolds, Evelyn L. Adriance, Ernest J. Gordon, Helen M. Lively.

MRS. GEHRON IN CHARGE OF BULLETIN BOARDS

28 Apr: Mrs. Ethel Gehron, Recreation Officer, has been designated to be responsible for all bureau bulletin boards in Bumed. Division employees who have been responsible heretofore for all maintenance of bulletin boards in individual buildings, shall hereafter confer with Mrs. Gehron prior to making any changes on these boards.